

REMARKS

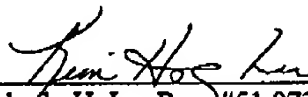
As indicated in the response of September 22, 2004, Applicant re-wrote claims 12, 28, 29, and 42 in independent form. The Office Action of March 25, 2004 stated that "Claims 12, 28, 29, and 42 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims." Claim 12 depended from claim 10, which recited, *inter alia*, "75% sequence identity with SEQ ID NO:223...." The response of September 22, 2004 incorporated all of the limitations of claim 10 into claim 12, but inadvertently left out "75". This supplemental amendment corrects for this inadvertent typographical error. In part (b) of claim 12, the number "75" is inserted before the % sign.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment along with the response of September 22, 2004 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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